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SAYS WHITE MEN NEED EDUCATION, NOT THE NEGRO

Rev. Houghton Fosbroke Speaks to Christian Culture Congress on "Advancement of the Colored Race."

"It is not the negro who needs educating but the white man, who is ignorant of the wrong that has been done the colored race," declared the Rev. Houghton Fosbroke, pastor of St. Andrews Episcopal church while addressing 400 members of the Christian Culture Congress held at Michigan Avenue Baptish church under the auspices of the Buffalo branch of the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored Race.

"Advancement of the Colored People," was the topic of his discussion. Mr. Fosbroke said the white man is ignorant of the great work the colored men are doing for the uplifting of their race. He was warmly received by about 400 men and women who filled the church at the meeting.

In part, Mr. Fosbroke said:

Duty of White Man.

"It is the duty of the white man to open the doors of opportunity to the colored man. But you colored people say you do not want any favors from the white man. All you ask is justice. Let me ask you what justice means? It means restitution and restitution means getting back what has been stolen. Your forefathers were robbed and it is our duty to return to you what was taken away from them.

"In a certain sense it is not the negro who needs educating, but the white man who is ignorant of the wrong that has been done you, ignorant of your possibilities, ignorant of the great work you are doing.

"But the colored man's menace is not so much the lack of the white man's virtues as an adoption of the white man's vices.

"You accuse the white man of selfishness, let me tell you, and you know it is true, you yourselves are ingrainedly selfish. There is much of the original Adam left in all of us.

Three Great Dangers.

"Three great dangers threaten you. You are guilty of segregation, snobbishness, lack of unity and contempt born of discouragement in the fight for right against might.

"What you need is a great faith, a faith in God, in a living God, and a sublime faith in yourselves, that what you will to be, you shall be."

A splendid appeal was made to the young colored girls, the future mothers of the race. Each one was urged to fit upon her mind and soul and heart the thought that she might one day be the mother of the future Messiah of the colored race.

Enthusiastic applause interrupted and concluded the address.

The Rev. Philip L. Frick, Mrs. Bryant B. Glenny, Dr. Jacob Goldberg, Mrs. John R. Joslyn and Mrs. William H. Talbert were at the meeting. Dr. Goldberg outlined the proposed new school bill.

WHITMAN PRESENTS MEDAL

Governor Will Address Annual Meeting for the N. A. A. C. P. and Award Prize Given by Prof. Spingarn.

The Evening Post

Culture Hall, 2 West 64th street, Governor Whitman will award the first Spingarn medal at the public session of the annual meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. This medal is the gift of Dr. J. E. Spingarn, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Association, and is of gold valued at one hundred dollars. It is to be awarded each year to the colored man or woman performing the highest and noblest achievement during the preceding year.

The chief speakers at this meeting will be the Governor, Mirza Ali Kuli Kahn and Prof. William Pickens. Mirza Ali Kuli Kahn is a member of the Imperial Legation of Persia and his speeches on behalf of the American colored people have aroused great enthusiasm in Washington. Prof. Pickens graduated from Yale with high honors, having been elected class orator and a member of the Phi Beta Kappa. He is now a professor in Wiley University and is becoming increasingly known as an author and lecturer. There will be several ten-minute addresses by Moorfield Storey, president of the National Association; Lindon Bates, Jr., who will tell of his studies on the relation of the races in South America; Dr. Du Bois, and Mrs. Charlotte Perkins Gilman. Oswald Garrison Villard will preside. The musical program will be in charge of Mrs. Daisy Tapley, and the young ladies who will act as ushers will be under the direction of Miss Minnie Brown.

Christian Work
New York Rep

Negroes Unite in Protest

A strong protest against discriminatory legislation was made at the meeting of the Boston branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Tremont Temple, Boston. There was a large audience, estimated at 3,000 men and women, mostly negroes. Moorfield Storey presided. He contended that there is an organized movement in this country to keep the colored people down, with the effect that 10,000,000 colored people are denied privileges that are granted to white people. The principal speaker was Congressman Martin B. Madden, of Illinois, one of the champions of the colored race. He said that the 125 Southern members in Congress wield an influence which practically amounts to control of national legislation and creates a "southern blight." "These men have power," he said, 'because they are continued term after term, and there is continual rotation in the North and West. In this way the Southern delegation has the chairmanship of nearly all committees in Congress. I feel that we owe a vast debt of gratitude to the colored race in this country," the speaker said. "Yet all that the black man and the black woman want is an equal chance, and men of my race will be untrue to their citizenship if they fail to give them an equal chance." Congressman Madden condemned the segregation bill introduced in the last Congress, and the "Jim Crow" law, which, he said, had been "introduced by Tom Heflin, of Alabama, who had threatened to blow up the White House after President Roosevelt had received and dined Booker T. Washington."

MUSIC IN THE SCHOOLS.

Office of the National Federation of Choirs and Musicians, 1005 You St., N. W., Washington, D. C.,
Oct. 25th, 1915.

Editor of The Bee,
1109 Eye St. N. W., City.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your written request for music in the colored schools (night), the following letter explains itself:

ERNEST L. THURSTON,
Superintendent of Public Schools,
District of Columbia.
Office: Franklin School Bldg.,
Washington, D. C.,
Oct. 23, 1915.

Mr. Wellington A. Adams,
1005 You Street N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Adams:

I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of October 14, 1915, relative to the teaching of music in the public night schools. In reply permit me to say that I hope it will be possible before long to establish a chorus class in the colored night high schools.

Very truly, yours,
E. S. THURSTON,
Superintendent of Schools.

Thus you see, Mr. Editor, we, as a musical organization, are doing our part for the advancement of music.

Yours, very truly,
WELLINGTON A. ADAMS,
Pres. Gen. of the N. F. C.
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DELAYING THE NEWS

The Boston Guardian

When people in all parts of the country picked up their morning newspaper last Saturday and found that Dr. Ernest E. Just had been awarded the Spingarn medal at the meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in New York last Friday night they were, no doubt, agreeably surprised to learn that the young scientist was chosen for the prize.

This week the colored people of the country will have to be content with reading the news of the event in various race journals. The press bureau of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People had prepared an advance story for daily newspapers, which was mailed with instructions to release on the morning of February 13. Not a colored newspaper received a tip in advance. The Afro-American Ledger, which reaches its readers on Saturdays, made a request for the news, and it came last Saturday in the shape of one of the news stories furnished daily papers.

The Afro-American Ledger, however, in keeping with its policy of trying to furnish the news when it is freshest, had received the information from a source not connected with the National Association, and was thereby enabled to furnish the news of the event to its readers at the same time that the daily press chronicled it. It was ahead of all other race papers, though the New York Age stated last week that it was rumored that Dr. Just would get the medal. We are calling attention to this because race newspapers are so often accused of publishing stale and inaccurate news, when those making the charge could often avoid this criticism by furnishing news in which they are interested on time.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People not only needs publicity in the daily newspapers, but should realize that race consciousness and solidarity may be best secured through the Negro press. The failure to give colored newspapers a tip that the Spingarn medal was to be awarded to Dr. Just may have been an oversight, but it certainly was disappointing.

The Afro-American Ledger was one of the first race journals to chronicle the formation of the N. A. A. C. P. and has always willingly given up space to its activities. It would have given more if the news could have been gotten. The failure to give out in advance the news of the election of Dr. Just did not hamper at all, but made us more diligently seek the information from other sources, thus outdistancing all competitors.

ORGANIZATION OF NEGROES URGED BY DR. SPINGARN

Dr. Joel E. Spingarn, ex-chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, was the principal speaker last night at a banquet of the Citizens' Club, at Guindon's, Nevins street, near Flatbush avenue. He advocated organization of the negroes to secure equal adjustment of rights given them by the Constitution. More than fifty attended the dinner.

Among those present were Dr. Louis Baxter, Anthony McCarthy, A. S. Williams, Philip M. Thorne, W. H. Holton, W. H. Chadwick, W. M. Rhodes, G. W. Hooper, Dr. Roland Johnson, F. H. Gilbert, G. W. Billings, A. Slaughter, N. B. Dodson, E. H. Wilson, Sr., E. H. Wilson, Jr., S. T. Hist, E. F. Horne, P. C. Thomas, Charles W. Boyd, A. M. Thompson,

Dr. Reverdy Ransom, Frank S. Armand, W. J. Foy, R. W. McKinley, C. T. Smith, John E. Nail, Hon. Charles W. Anderson, F. E. Holbrook, George E. Wibecan, Dr. O. M. Waller, W. B. Warren, Charles H. Lansing, William Frieman, H. T. Mars, Charles E. Moore, George W. Harris, F. B. Watkins, W. H. Hackley, John Royall, G. W. Royall, the Rev. S. W. Timms, Arthur D. Hampton, A. D. Rice, Dr. Simms Willis, A. E. Hueston, R. M. Meroney, W. H. McFarland, V. C. Murray, Samuel Pease, George W. A. Murray, John F. Poole, Emile Hamilton, Frank R. Chisholm, William H. Smith, Frank Girard, Edward Lynch, A. Gilchrist and John E. Bruce.

FOR ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED RACE

An Interesting Meeting Held Last Evening in the Eighth Street Baptist Church.

A meeting was held last evening in Eighth Street Baptist Church, under the auspices of the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. More than 300 persons were in attendance and among these were the members of the faculty of the Howard High School and of School No. 21.

Mrs. Wilson of Boston, Mass., a representative of the national body, was the principal speaker. She told of the methods of carrying out the plans of the association and outlined the work, telling of the requisites, showing what it meant to act properly and acquire the respect of the community, the value of education, and spoke of the segregation of the respectable members of the race.

Other speakers were Mrs. J. H. Wooden, Sr., Dr. George J. Sykes and Rev. W. Hemsley.

The local organization numbers about 300 persons. Fifty were enrolled last evening.

The choir of the Eighth Street Church sang and there were also violin and piano selections.

Milwaukee Sentinel

JUN 21 1915

J. A. HALL NAMED HEAD OF COLORED SOCIETY

John A. Hall was elected president of the Milwaukee branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colorded People, instituted by Miss Kathryn Johnson, New York, national organizer, at a meeting held Wednesday night in St. Mark's African Methodist Episcopal church. The other officers are:

Vice president—S. J. Fountain.
Secretary—Miss Mary Bergett.
Treasurer—R. A. Balor.

Another meeting will be field Friday night at the church.

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DO NEGROES DESERVE LESS?

According to an announcement of its purposes, just made, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People "seeks to uplift the colored men and women of this country by securing to them the full enjoyment of their rights as citizens, justice in all courts, and equality of opportunity everywhere. It favors, and aims to aid, every kind of education among them save that which teaches special privilege or prerogative, class or caste. It recognizes the national character of the negro problem and no sectionalism. It believes in the upholding of the constitution of the United States and its amendments, in the spirt of Abraham Lincoln. It upholds the doctrine of 'all men up and no man down.' It abhors negro crime, but still more, the conditions which breed crime, and most of all the crimes committed by mobs in the mockery of the law, or by individuals in the name of the law. It believes that the scientific truths of the negro problem must be available before the country can see its way wholly clear to right existing wrongs. It has no other belief than that the best way to uplift the colored man is the best way to aid the white man to peace and social content; it has no other desire than exact justice, and no other motive than humanity."

Discuss Negro Uplift

A public meeting in the interest of the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was held yesterday afternoon at the A. M. E. Zion Church, Winter street. The President, J. J. Robinson, presided, and Miss Caroline M. Dexter of New York spoke on "The World Brotherhood." Rev. Morgan H. Pease, pastor of the Pilgrim Congregational Church, also made an address. The meetings committee consists of W. P. H. Freeman (chairman), Dr. U. T. Carter and Rev. W. R. Gullins. John C Minkins is chairman of the executive board, Miss R J. Dunbar secretary and Rev. Z. Harrison treasurer.

COLORED PEOPLE TO MEET

Advancement of Race Will Be Subject for Discussion.

Miss May Childs Nerny will speak at a mass meeting for colored people Friday evening in Warren A. M. E. church.

Miss Nerny is general secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, with headquarters in New York City. She will tell of the work accomplished for the race by the organization which she represents. Albertus Brown, president of the Toledo branch of the association, will preside.

Charles Cottrill, former collector of customs at Honolulu, will speak briefly, and music will be furnished by Robinson's orchestra. Rev. Charles Eundy, pastor of Warren church, will give the invocation, and there will be a number of vocal selections.